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MEETINGS

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1. EMBOFF MAY 23 MET GOC FOREIGN MINISTRY COUNSELLOR ELIAS
IPSARIDES AND ATTACHE CHRISTOFOROS YIANGOU, WHO HAVE WORKING-
LEVEL RESPONSIBILITY FOR CSCE MATTERS, TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION
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ON REF A SUBJECTS AND TO INFORM GOC CONTENTS REF B.

2. IPSARIDES AND YIANGOU OFFERED FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS ON
CSCE ISSUES:
(A) PREPARATORY MEETING: THE GOC IS IN BASIC AGREEMENT WITH
IDEA OF RESTRICTING PREPARATORY MEETING TO DISCUSSION OF AGENDA,
RULES OF PROCEDURE, AND OPENING DATE OF MAIN MEETING. IPSARIDES

OBSERVED THAT THERE "ARE GOOD REASONS BEHIND EVERY PART" OF THE HELSINKI "BLUE BOOK" AND AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE OF IT SHOULD BE CARRIED OVER.

(B) STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION OF THE MAIN MEETING: GOC INCLINES TOWARDS STAYING WITH "TRADITIONAL MODE" OF PUBLIC OPENING AND CLOSING SESSIONS WITH TWO-TIER STRUCTURE OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND BASKET COMMITTEES FOR DISCUSSIONS OF DETAIL. EARLY OCTOBER DATE FOR MEETING IS ACCEPTABLE. YAINGOU, WHO WAS ON CYPRIOT CSCE DELEGATION DURING GENEVA PHASE, RECALLED "PROLIFERATION OF SUB-COMMITTEES" AT THAT TIME WHICH SORELTY TAXED RESOURCES OF SMALLER DELEGATIONS LIKE CYPRUS. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THIS WOULD NOT TAKE PLACE AGAIN.

(C) ORGANIZATION OF IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW: GOC HAS NO COMMENT AT THIS TIME.

(D) NEW PROPOSALS: GOC DOES NOT EXPECT TO OPPOSE THE ADVANCEMENT OF NEW PROPOSALS BUT UNDERSTANDS THE NECESSITY TO LIMIT THEIR NUMBER.

(E) FINAL DOCUMENT: GOC CONSIDERS IT "LOGICAL" FOR COMMITTEES TO DO THE DRAFTING AND AGREES WITH SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF A SIMPLE FORMAT.

(F) POST-BELGRADE EXPERTS MEETING: YAINGOU OPINED IT IS STILL TOO EARLY TO FORESEE POST-BELGRADE SITUATION; BUT HE EXPECTS IF PAST PRACTICE PREVAILS, ISSUE WILL BE RAISED TOWARD THE END OF THE BELGRADE MAIN MEETING. HE PREDICTED SOME POST-BELGRADE SYSTEM FOR MONITORING CSCE COMPLIANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION WOULD BE DEVISED, "TECHNICAL IN SCOPE," AND PERHAPS INSTITUTIONALIZED.

(G) MEDITERRANEAN ISSUES: GOC "WOULD LIKE TO SEE CONCERTED EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT WHAT IS ALREADY REFLECTED IN THE FINAL ACT REGARDING THE MEDITERRANEAN, AND WOULD FAVOR MEDITERRANEAN COUN-
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TRIES MAKING A CONTRIBUTION AT BELGRADE BUT NOT AT EXPENSE OF OTHER ISSUES." GOC BELIEVES THE MODE OF PARTICIPATION COULD BE MUCH THE SAME AS AT GENEVA AND WILL SUPPORT THE MEDITERRANEAN PARTICIPATION FORMULA AS A MODEL FOR BELGRADE.

(B) FAMILY REUNIFICATION: GOC HAS AT PRESENT NO REUNIFICATION PROBLEMS WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THERE HAVE BEEN SUCH PROBLEMS, LARGEY ARMENIAN FAMILIES, BUT THEY HAVE NOW ALL BEEN AMICABLY SETTLED.

3. CYPRUS PROBLEM: ASKED IF GOC INTENDS TO RAISE CYPRUS PROBLEM AT BELGRADE MEETING, IPSARIDES INDICATED MUCH WILL DEPEND ON THE CLIMATE THERE. GOC "DOES NOT INTEND TO OPEN PANDORA'S BOX BUT IT IS SELF-EVIDENT THAT IN THE COURSE OF A DISCUSSION OF THE 10 PRINCIPLES THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WILL COME UP." HE DESCRIBED BASKET III AS "VERY CLOSE TO OUR HEARTS" BUT REPEATED THAT GOC WILL PROBABLY NOT ATTEMPT TO MAKE A MAJOR ISSUE OF IT AND WILL TRY TO AVOID POLEMICS "WHICH WOULD BE NO HELP TO CYPRUS QUESTION ANY-
WAY."

4. GOC DELEGATION TO PREPARATORY MEETINGS WILL CONSIST OF
AMBASSADOR ANDREAS MAVROMMATHIS FROM GENEVA AND ANTONIOS VAKIS
FROM BELGRADE. DELEGATION TO THE MAIN MEETING WILL BE THE SAME
BUT MAY INCLUDE ATTACHE YIANGOU OF THE MFA.
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